

WHY MANY CHRISTIANS HAVE NOT PROSPERED. M. A. DANIEL

This is in continuation of a year long exploration into knowing the God of the new covenant. The last issue looked at the headlining values in Gods view on prosperity and emphasising on the new covenant. This is to help thousands of people that will read this to have a better understanding as to questions they may have regarding Christians not prospering. I have the advantage of drawing from both sides of the divide making some money before becoming a committed Christian and living in Gods abundance after surviving a near bankruptcy. I'm fully persuaded that this will bless you. You will be able to [click on the passages to read it online.](#)

1. **Many are not sure God wants them to prosper.** - [John 10:10](#), [2 Cor 8:9](#), [2 Cor 9:8\(NLT\)](#).

2. **Many are double minded.** [James 1:4-8\(NLT\)](#), [Psalm 119:113](#), [Heb 3:18-19](#).

3. **Many are envious of those who are prospering.** [James 3:16](#), [Gal 5:25-26](#), [Eccles 4:4](#).

4. **Many inadvertently worship money instead of God.** [Mat 6:24](#), [Luke 18:18-23](#), [Luke 21:2-4](#).

5. **Many preachers pitch to greed.** [Mat 23:23\(NLT\)](#), [Luke 11:42\(NLT\)](#), [Mark 7:21-23](#).

6. **Many mix up the old covenant with the new.** [Mat 15:6](#), [2 Cor 9:7](#).

Prosperity has been controversial but if you define it as having abundance to be a blessing to others, then a clearer picture emerges. God intend-

ed for us to be in comfort and to be a blessing to people. Many Christians are not prospering and this has further confused them into believing a lie. They make their own mistakes as yardstick for Gods purpose. Some Christians believe in the message but are envious of those who they know are prospering. This shuts down their own progress and introduces all manners of evil.

Another area where the devil is short-circuiting Christians is when in their attempt to prosper gets lured

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into loving money above God. They struggle to give generously and will make money decision completely in the absence of a divine input. Many preachers have not helped by emphasising a lottery type message of prosperity. They encourage avarice and defraud many of their money. There is a dangerous trend where we tend to mix the Old Testament with the new. The Old Testament was the precursor of the new and many of the old was fulfilled in the new. Jesus made it clear that he did not come to cancel the old but to fulfil it and he did. Christ has redeemed us from curse of the law. So when you find the majority of the preachers still threatening curses on not paying Tithe, it's very worrying. Paying Tithe is biblical but we pay it because we love God and are grateful for all he has done. Paying it



brings our money under divine blessing and opens up limitless possibility and increases divine multiplication, not paying means we miss out on a golden opportunity.

My prayer is that all will fully get hold of this message and locate their wealthy place. That all will be forgiven of past mistakes and have a fresh beginning today in Jesus name. Shalom.

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